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## **AMENDMENT**

Applicants respond to the Office Action dated August 15, 2005, in the above-identified patent application in the manner indicated below.

There are no Amendments to the Specification in this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims that begins on page 3 of

In conclusion, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is now in condition for allowance. Prompt and favorable action is earnestly solicited.

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Respectfully submitted,

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